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NEWS AND LOCAL INTERESTS.All public and local questions, including
political and social, sanitary and reform-
atory, educational and industrial topics will
be clearly presented and fully and fairly dis-
cussed.It is intended and expected to make it
not only readable and interesting to the
general reader, but of special value to citi-
zens of the county and of real importance to
every resident of Bloomfield, Montclair
and Caldwell.Nothing will be admitted to its columns
that is unworthy of cordial welcome to
every family circle.Settled Clergymen in the county and all
Public School Teachers in the county will
receive the paper gratuitously by sending
their address.It should prove a valuable medium for
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tends to every part of Essex county, and
considerably elsewhere. SUBSCRIPTIONS
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and Proprietor, Bloomfield, N. J.

EQUALITY OF TAXATION.

We endeavored to set forth clearly our
maturest thoughts upon the assessment
question. It is gratifying to hear daily
approvals of our articles from those whose
opinions are most entitled to respect. But
we are not disappointed that some differ
from our position—they do not doubt honestly
differ. Not so much because of fixed con-
ditions, as from the habit of acquiescence
in the practice and routine that has been
long observed and an unwillingness to be
agitated by thought and care of new meth-
ods. They do not realize that the present
status of society and of town interests is
very different from that which existed here
when these two towns of Bloomfield and
Montclair formed one community, with less
than a fourth of the population which now
enlivens our hills and plains.

Lands that now command readily \$3,000
an acre sold but a few years ago for \$350.
Now there are scores of residences that
cost \$10 to \$20,000 a piece to erect them
where there was one in those former times.
Every thing is greatly changed—the
current of progress and improvement has wel-
comed and overflooded, sweeping along our
population all who would avoid being sub-
merged and drowned. An entire new as-
pect of things exists. Graded streets and
solid roads are required. Well laid side
walks and street lamps are indispensable.
Sanitary measures and personal protection
against roughs and rowdies are beginning to
be deemed of vital importance. All these
things involve much expense and excite
the most natural inquiries how best to econ-
omize expenses both in private matters and
in town affairs.

Thus a critical and careful examination
of the drafts upon the exchequer takes
place, and a comparison among taxpayers
is reasonable and just.

The Assessor, says, he takes for his basis
of valuation, what the property would
bring under forced sale. Another puts it,
what a capitalist would be willing and at-
tracted to pay for the property as an in-
vestment.

Probably these two tests
amount to about the same thing, and meet
the necessities of the case very well. The
only difficulty is in applying the principle.

In passing through the village the assess-
or quite readily determines with sufficient
nearness what this, or that house would
bring under the hammer, but when he
comes to a 20, 30 or 40 acre lot he is apt to
change his base, and begins to consider
not what it would bring in dollars under
the magic of the auctioneer's wand, but
what would it yield in bushels or hundred
weight, in response to the spade and the
scythe of the gentleman proprietor. Con-
sequently the house and lot valuation as
basis of taxation is about 50 per cent, or
one half what it would bring under
forced sale, but the many acre plot is val-
ued at about 16 to 20 per cent or one fifth
what it would bring under pressure of sale
in large quantity. These are not conjec-
tural cases; the assessor's books for the last
few years will furnish constant instances
of this very thing. Thus making the poor
man pay tax on one half valuation and the
rich only on one fifth valuation of his prop-
erty. It is this evident inequality which
we are seeking to overcome. We want
equality under the law and before the law
for all classes of citizens, without respect
to the color of the skin or the depth of his
purse.

The "MORNING REGISTER," which we
regard as the best paper published in New
Jersey's Metropolis, treated its readers the
other day to this very smart paragraph:

"The Sunday Call would like to ask the
editor of the Saturday Gazette if he expects
to get pay for printing Chapter XXIX of
the laws after altering the phraseology by
substituting the words 'Saturday Gazette'
for the 'Sunday Call' wherever they oc-
cur."

Now, there is no harm in asking ques-
tions," as the girl said to her admirer, "one
thing often leads to another."

As we look, for the first time, at the
transposition referred to, through our ed-
itorial glasses, we were quite surprised
that our printer had so much better taste

than the author of copy in the case, for
certainly SATURDAY GAZETTE is much
handsomer, more suitable and more sig-
nificant title for a newspaper than "Sunday
Call." But on inquiry we find that it was
not a matter of taste with compositor but
conscience. "It was impossible," he said,
"that the Legislature of this religious
state could have intended to justify the
publishing of newspapers on Sunday,
when they would not allow Railroads and
other things to run on God's holy day." And
so he concluded that that law was
only a model for each newspaper, author-
ized to publish the laws; and that the
name, "Sunday Call," was bogus, to be
omitted as every journal would insert its
own name—Innocent, conscientious soul
and could not interpret the laws as well
as those Trenton men and could he not
keep better care of the Legislative con-
science than they could!

CHAS.—We call attention to the ad-
vertisement of the Jolly Bros., found in an-
other column. Their price list for shirts
is really remarkably low, in fact but a little
more than the actual cost for the material
used. We cannot see why any should
trouble themselves with making them at
home while such inducements are offered
to buy them ready made.

The opening of the Bazaar of all Nations
took place in Newark, on Wednesday
evening. Vice President Wilson was
here according to announcement and was
a center of interested observation.

This beautiful and varied entertainment
is now fairly inaugurated. We trust the
attendance will be equal to its merits, and
that its proceeds will be liberal and grati-
fying.

HOME MATTERS.

MONTCLAIR.

NEWSPAPER.—Rev. M. Bradford and
his wife were the recipients of gifts last
week from his Church, as we have been
since informed, more than double the
amount stated in our last issue, or over
\$900. The Sunday school made him a
present of a field glass with which to ob-
serve more advantageously objects and
scenery at a distance. Possibly they hope
that from some of the lofty summits
which he will from time to time reach, in
person, or in thought, he will be able to
bring within range of his mental lens, at
least, the beautiful Montclair heights, the
village church and the loved Sunday
school. A silver fruit knife was a token
from a certain class in the school. Mr. C.
H. Johnson was the chosen organ to present
these offerings of affection. We need not
say it was gracefully performed, con amore.

Rev. Dr. LANGWORTHY of Boston, will
preach in the Congregational Church, on
Sunday the 10th. inst. at 10 & 11 A. M.

Pew renting in the Congregational
Church, on Monday Evening next.

Last Sunday there was an accession of
twenty two received into the Congrega-
tional Church. There were ten bap-
tisms.

There will be several fine opportunities
for boarding this season in Montclair.

The Mountain House, by Mrs. Kirby.
The Henning House, by Mrs. Nichols.
Ashland Hall, by Mrs. Hall.

The Old Stratton house on Washing-
ton Ave. extension, and best reached from
Bloomfield depot, by Mrs. Niblo.
The Macdaniel House, by Mrs. Macdan-
iel.

Rev. Dr. Berry will deliver an education-
al discourse before the Montclair High
School at the Congregational church, on
Sunday evening, May 10th, at half-past
seven o'clock.

Subject—The Capacity of the Human
Soul.

The annual meeting of stock holders
of the Montclair Library Association will
be held in the Association building on
Tuesday May 13th, at 8 P. M., for the pur-
pose of electing a Board of Directors for
the ensuing year.

The yearly reports will be given at this
meeting.

CHANGE OF FIRM.—It will be seen by
advertisement in another column, that
Betzler & Wheeler have dissolved partner-
ship, Betzler retiring. Mr. Wheeler having
bought his late partner's interest.

That fine drug store will hereafter be
carried on by Mr. F. A. Wheeler and his new
and able assistant whose experience as a
pharmacist gives ample assurance of cap-
acity and fidelity. No efforts will be lack-
ing to maintain its character as the leading
store in its line in this part of the county.

DR. C. W. BUTLER.—In calling atten-
tion to the modest card of Dr. Butler, we
desire to say to those who are unacquaint-
ed with the gentleman, that he not only
possesses a genial spirit and a sympathetic
nature, but he ranks high in his particular
school of medicine, and has been very suc-
cessful in his practice here.

Three of our most respectable citizens,
whom we casually met together on street
one day this week, in response to some re-
mark dropped by one of us, indicated their
high estimate of the doctor's professional
abilities by encomiums upon his skill, given
in no measured terms. He is evidently a
rising man, and we understand his prac-
tice is constantly increasing.

Mr. L. S. Benedict and family have re-
turned to Montclair and are occupying
their former residence cor. Bloomfield and
Mountain Avenue.

Every voter in Road District No. 1
should attend the meeting called to con-
sider the report of the Committee appoint-
ed in February to consider what style of
road is best adapted to Montclair.

I. O. O. F. No. 134 of this place cele-
brated the 55th anniversary of the estab-
lishment of the Order in America on Monday
evening by appropriate religious exercises
conducted by Rev. Jesse S. Gilbert of Pat-
erson.

Real estate is dull, there are a number
of desirable houses at moderate rents that
remain unoccupied.

A new arrival—Sammy with his stock
of butter, cheese and eggs, which he is to
sell at New York prices in the old Roman
building on Bloomfield Avenue.

Croquet is down—so Madison says, who
has it from \$1.00 and upwards; prices fully
15 per cent. below last year. Just as
cheap as you can buy it in town. Try
him.

BLOOMFIELD.

WEATHER CHRONICLE.
Range of Thermometer at Bloomfield Centre.
April. May.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
At 7 A. M.	33°	42°	48°	49°	48°	48°
At Noon	44°	53°	55°	56°	55°	58°
At 5 P. M.	47°	54°	42°	49°	52°	51°

PERAMBULATIONS IN BLOOM-
FIELD.—No. 1.

West End.

Pleasant weather and settled roads in-
clined us to an hour's walk through Bloom-
field, West-end. Passing from the Centre
through Glenwood Avenue to Linden
Avenue, we then began a gradual ascent.
The S. W. corner of these two avenues
presents a pair of twin houses, neat and
cozy in appearance, built by C. W. Pow-
ers.

Reaching Thomas Street we pause a mo-
ment before Mr. Ereland's residence to ad-
mire his beautiful Conservatory of choice
and fragrant flowers. Opposite Ereland's,
on the S. E. Corner of Thomas Street, are
two houses of Mr. N. B. Adams, the one
being occupied for his own residence.

Crossing Thomas Street we find on the
South side two small houses, one rented by
Mr. Laing, the other by Mr. Elverson. We
then pass a considerable space of unim-
proved property on both sides of Linden
Avenue. Most of this, we understand,
belongs to parties who are either ignorant
of, or indifferent to, the deleterious effects
upon health, comfort and prosperity of the
neighborhood, or they would not suffer these
drowned lands and stagnant pools to
prevent the unsightly and offensive ap-
pearance they do, when it is very obvious
that at small cost, properly directed, they
would be effectually drained, doubling their
commercial value and entitling their owners
to the thanks of mothers and children not a
few. It may be that they are owned by
non-residents. If any one knows their ad-
dress and will leave it with us, we will
mail them each a copy of the GAZETTE,
believing they will correct that sore evil
before an unenviable notoriety is given to
it through our columns.

Continuing up Linden Avenue we next
pass successively on the left or South side,
the residences of Mr. Laing (owner), Mr.
Ellis, (owner), and Mr. Haydock, Mr. Mc-
Intosh, Mr. Hearty and Mr. Robert Pele,
(owner) and Mr. Frank Bliss.

And, on the right or North
side, we passed in order the residences of
The Harvey, Joseph Peloubet, Samuel
Peloubet, Henry A. Lee, A. Baker, Wm.
Jarvis; all owned by the occupants, ex-
cept Mr. Lee's.

We have now reached Midland Avenue,
a beautiful street, running from Washing-
ton Avenue South to Dodd Town and
East Orange.

Continuing our walk, we turn the cor-
ner into Midland Avenue and pass the fine
modest but pretty and homelike residences
of C. W. McLehlan, Geo. Rouband, Nathan
Russell, Geo. W. Pancost, and Henry Rus-
sell, all tenants of Mr. Pele, except Mr.
Pancost, who built his own house.

On the opposite side of this Avenue are
the showy residences, with all improvements,
and fine properties of J. Banks Reford and
Thomas H. Taylor. Both have beautiful
terraced lawns.

On the upper part of Linden are the
two fine cottage houses of W. G. Raynor,
rented and occupied by Mr. Walsh and
Lawyer Foulke, and the commodious resi-
dence of C. J. Turner. There are on this
Avenue a number of fine building sites
with commanding views and almost un-
equalled salubrity. West end has its full
share of laid sidewalks and street gas
lamps.

This end of the town is under many ob-
ligations to the enterprise of Robert Pele,
who has erected no less than twelve re-
spectable dwelling houses here, and W. G.
Raynor, who has built four, three of them
first-class and Wm. P. Lyon, who
has built four, three of these first-class.

On Ridgewood Avenue, which is intend-
ed to be one of the finest boulevards in the
County, we find the home of N. C. Miller,
with 12 acres of land, of Geo. W. Smith,
with 4 to 6 acres, of (late Hicks), with 4 to
6 acres, of Rob. J. Beach, with 7 acres, an
unimproved lawn and an enchanting natu-
ral grove, of Lawyer Whitehead's acqui-
sited taste, of ———, of ———, and
of Rev. J. S. Gallagher, an extensive man-
sion, and site unequalled in the town, with
40 acres of orchard, woods and grass. All
these places on Ridgewood command far
reaching views taking in several cities and
many villages.

On Washington Avenue we must name
the fine residences of T. D. Langstroth,
W. G. Raynor, Jas. A. Hedden and Wm.
P. Lyon, all with ample grounds. Also
the homes of P. J. Ward and M. W. Dodd

with their broad acres of surroundings.
And we must not forget Thomas Street
with its dozen respectable residences.

This has been a pleasant walk through
that most beautiful part of the town
known as West end. We had intended
to mention every family in it but believe
we have omitted some as all the names
were not familiar to us and we have ex-
tended these notes already more than was
our intention.

TOWN COUNCIL—MAY 6TH.

Parties in interest on the line of the ex-
tension of Park street, north of Watchung
avenue, appeared, and the Committee
heard their statements for and against the
road and the assessments as reported by
the Road Commissioners.

Petition received to put in traveling con-
dition that portion of Walnut-street, East
of Grove-street, extending through lands
of H. B. Chittenden to town-line. Referred
to Special Committee with directions
to ascertain what is necessary and adver-
tise for proposals for performance of the
work.

Petition received to detail a Special
Constable to patrol Bloomfield Avenue
from six to ten o'clock p.m. to abate the
nuisance of street loafers, etc.

Petition received complaining of over-
flow from certain cesspools, on Mountain
Avenue as being a nuisance to dwellers on
Hillside avenue. Referred to Special Com-
mittee.

Bids for working and grading of Union
street according to advertisement were
opened. They ranged from 22 cents to 50
cents per cubic yard. Referred to Special
Committee with power.

Committee of two appointed to confer
with similar committee from Board of
Freeholders in reference to filling the ravine
in the rear of Philip Doremus' store in
the extension of Fullerton avenue.

Blake and Freeman were chosen as Town
Council for the year.

A certification of proceedings in the as-
sessment of certain benefits against S. R. Park-
hurst on the extension of Mountain avenue
south was received and referred to Town
Council.

Communication from the R. R. Commis-
sioners for bonding the township was re-
ceived dated April 14, 1874, and stating
"That there still be required for interest
part due and to become due in the present
year, and principal part due and to be-
come due in the present year \$46,000."

Referred to Town Council.

Committee appointed to purchase what
drain pipe shall be needed for Road pur-
poses.

Committee appointed to have names of
streets placed in conspicuous positions at
every street corner.

An appropriation of \$300 was made
from the moneys voted to be raised by tax
for repairs of roads for the repair and con-
struction of cross walks.

Bill of Overseer of Poor for supplies
furnished poor House, \$44.94.

Bill of Owen & Hurlbut for Surveying
in 1873, \$400.
Ordered paid.

Town Committee will hear parties inter-
ested in the pretensions of Gates avenue
and Union-street on May 13.

Adjourned.

THE UNION TRACT SOCIETY.

This Society held its anniversary on Sun-
day evening, last in the Presbyterian
Church. At the close of the interesting
religious exercises, during which addresses
were made by Rev. Dr. Coe and others,
the following officers and managers were
elected for the ensuing year: Rev. Dr.
Kennedy, President; Rev. Dr. Stubbett,
Vice-President; Lyman E. Page, Secretary;
C. Peloubet, Treasurer. Managers—Rev.
Henry Spellmeyer, Rev. Thomas Davis, Rev.
Horace W. Byrnes, Rev. John Ekelin; Mr.
J. W. Sneiderker, John Bickler, John Lane,
Francis Law, Sr., W. R. Peters, E. W.
Page, A. Baker, J. H. Colfax, P. W. Lyon,
M. M. Bradley, J. P. Sanxay, D. G. Gar-
land, M. W. Dodd, J. W. Potter, T. W.
Langstroth, H. A. Ventres, J. E. Steven-
son, Leonard Lewis, E. Van De Werken, E.
S. Northrop.

We are gratified to notice the erection
of a suitable guard fence on each side of the
High Bridge at Ridgewood.

CALDWELL—GEN OF THE HILLS.

(From our Own Correspondent.)

The inflation question, so far as this
question is concerned, has subsided. The
"weather question" is the all-absorbing
topic of conversation here now. "Spring
time and harvest will come—it is only a
question of time," say those who profess
to know, and yet, on this, the first day of
May, our fields are covered with snow and
the mercury in the thermometer indicates a
necessity for stoves, overcoats and other
winter fixings too numerous to mention!
The "garden" question therefore is ad-
journed; and, I suppose, all we have to do
is to possess our souls in patience until the
"good time coming" arrives when strug-
gling nature is relieved from the iron
grasp of a frosty king. After all, there is
a sunny side to life even amid such seem-
ingly unreasonable indications. And it is
not well to be constantly brooding over
that which human skill cannot avert.
More profitable reflections than these
should occupy our thoughts. There is
poetry in nature at all times. There is a
silver lining to almost every cloud. Feel-
ing thus myself, I shall dismiss the weather
topic and seek for some more consoling
themes. What shall it be? Music—real,
soul-inspiring music!

Now, is there not something romanti-
cally beautiful in a charming serenade on a
lovely moonlight night? I have but little
hope in the humanity of that heart which

does not swell with rapture at such an en-
tertainment. It must be cold and dead to
every noble instinct if it fails to catch a
sublime inspiration amid such surround-
ings. There is something bewitching in
melody when it comes to us in the still-
ness of the night, suddenly and unexpected-
ly. We can't resist its infatuation if we
would; and spell-bound we are held 'till
the last note dies away in the distance and
reluctantly we retire again to our own
meditations and solitude. Thus I thought
and thus I felt when

"THE CORNET BAND OF THIS VILLAGE."

One night last week, favored our Corres-
pondent with a felicitous serenade. The
proficiency attained by this Band in the in-
tricacies of their difficult Art is wonder-
fully surprising, considering its recent or-
ganization and the facilities it has enjoyed
for progress. I suppose, however, that
this is due, in a great measure, to the in-
defatigable energy and thorough musical ac-
complishments of its honored leader, R.
G. Campbell, Esq. What is a rare thing,
also every man connected with this band is
of sound morals and entirely free from the
vices which too often blight the social
standing of similar clubs. Caldwell will
well feel proud of its Cornet Band. I
hope to enjoy the pleasure of its musical
discouragements often.

TOWN COUNCIL.

Our Township Committee organized on
the 28th ult. Wm. Bush, Esq., was elected
Chairman; Geo. M. Canfield, Clerk;
Geo. C. Burnett, Assessor; Matthias S.
Canfield, Collector; Messrs. Smith and
Coutter, Constables; Nicholas Bush and
Wm. H. Canfield, Overseers of the Poor,
were all duly sworn and qualified according
to law.

A Committee has been appointed to
make an investigation into the condition
of the old Horse Neck Road, presented by
the Grand Jury of the January term as a
nuisance. I believe there was no other
business of public interest transacted at
this meeting.

THIEVES PREFER TO HIDE.

There seems to be a gang of horse thieves
lurking about this vicinity, and it will be
well if our citizens keep a sharp look-out
for them. Mr. John K. Van Ness, of Fair-
field, had a valuable horse and harness
stolen on the night of the 24th ult. Mr.
John D. Crane lost a sulky about the same
time. Sulky-looking thieves, them, I
know.

LIVERY STABLE.

Geo. B. Harrison, Esq., proprietor of the
line of stages running between here and
Montclair, has just completed a large and
admirably arranged livery stable in this
village. Strangers visiting Caldwell, in
future, will experience no difficulty in pro-
curing a "turn out" to their liking at any
time.

FREE EDUCATION.

There will be a vote taken at the Cald-
well School House on the evening of the
9th inst. as to the practicability of impos-
ing a special tax for a free Public School;
this year; also in relation to proposed im-
provements around the school house. It
is to be hoped that the full strength of the
legal voters of this district will be repre-
sented at the polls.

SODA WATER AND ICE CREAM.

The Caldwell Pharmacy has lately un-
dergone some changes which reflect great
credit upon its enterprising proprietor,
Mr. Arthur Watling. In addition to orna-
mental decorations this gentleman has added
a magnificent Soda Fountain to his at-
tractions from which a healthy, cooling
draft will often flow in tempting varieties.
I learn that Mr. Watling proposes to open,
in connection with his present popular es-
tablishment, an elaborately fitted up Ice
Cream Saloon.

ESEX.

For the Saturday Gazette.
A DINNER IN THE CITY WITH
OLD-TIME FRIENDS.

More than two years had passed since
our friends and old neighbors of what is
now an unpretentious street, had moved
to their new home on the Avenue. "When
are you coming?" I had been asked so
many times that finally my husband made
an informal engagement with Mr. Lord, for
himself, our son, John and myself to dine
on the coming Tuesday at his house.
Where the usual routine of the household is
seldom interrupted by the mothers leaving
home, her going is quite an event. So it
was in this case. The children kept their
mother constantly reminded of it, by tel-
ling her not to forget to see such and such
things. Each one's bent being indicated
by the peculiar thing to be noticed. Six
o'clock was the dinner hour; reaching the
house at four, John left me for an hour's
visit at the Academy of design. A colored
waiter answered the bell, receiving in-
ward upon a server, showed me into an el-
egant reception room. I thought at first
myself, is Gertrude the same warmhearted,
simple woman she used to be, before she
was accustomed to so much elegance?
My question was partly answered in a mo-
ment, for she entered with just the warm-
hearted greeting of old. We mounted the
long stairs, and after unobtrusively, sat
and talked, and walked and talked, for the
whole house must be visited from fourth
story to cellar. Well said I, when all had
been gone over, such a house as this is a
great care. Do you enjoy more here than in
the old house where your children were
born, and where we were neighbors so long?

"Indeed, I do not, this care is very bur-
densome with this house, four servants,
my children and society claims, sometimes
I feel as if I could fly away to some simple
cottage and be perfectly happy." Just
then our husbands came in accom-
panied by John who had met them at the
door. Where are your children I asked.

"The two youngest are in the nursery, the
three oldest promenading on the Avenue,"
was the reply. About fifteen minutes be-
fore dinner was announced the three entered
the parlor dressed, or rather over-dressed
painfully. The girls made a dancing-
school bow, when introduced. Harry,
however, came up and shook hands quite
warmly, and seemed glad to see us. Seat-
ing himself by John, they were soon talk-
ing familiarly as most school-boys do. I
must be pardoned if I say I kept my eyes
and ears open during the few hours I spent
in that house. I saw much to admire and
much to condemn. The house was all
money could make it—fashionable, eleg-
ant, but, like hundreds of others, too
much display of upholstery and carpets
without the comfortable home air so de-
sirable in all homes. The dinner service,
style of serving, etc., agreed with every
thing else; but I was not prepared to ac-
cuse and wine brought in with the desert,
nor was I prepared to see their oldest son
drink freely of either. When urged to
take, I replied, I feel just as strongly on
this point as when we used to work to-
gether in the temperance cause in—Sab-
bath school. "And I still work in the
same cause," said Mr. Lord. And practice
what you do not teach? I said. "Oh, I
don't do to be too strenuous, one does
harm to the cause by being fanatical." That
calls up an incident of a certain
prominent man, who once said to a friend,
"I would give you ten thousand dollars if
you would insure my son against being a
drunkard." At dinner the friend was as-
tonished to see a little decenter and wine
glass by the son's plate. The son was ten
years old. I know you have a D.D. who
advocates from his pulpit, "moderate
drinking." But he doesn't define what
moderation is. With you it may be one
glass of ale or claret a day, another may
think six, very moderate, and another
twelve, and so on without limit. I think
there is safety only in "Touch not, taste
not, handle not." "Well, Maad, you would
do to join the Crusaders; I expect to hear
you leading the company in your village
soon." No, I said, I only wish with my
hand, to lead my family. Just then, Harry
asked to be excused, saying he had an en-
gagement, made the week before, and one
he could not break. We all arose from
the table and Mr. Lord, turning to John,
said, "Our minister has quite a family of
boys, and thinking to keep them from the
temptation of going to a saloon has a bill-
iard table in his house. Harry goes
round there often to play with them. I
turned to Mrs. Lord perfectly surprised;
do you mean to say your pastor has a bill-
iard room in his house? "Oh, yes,"
And dancing-masters for his daughters!"
"I think not."

Well, thought I, as we went up stairs,
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